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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST
FOR INITIALED FORMS PTO 1449**

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Sir:

The instant paper responds to the Office Action mailed September 10, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 31-43 without prejudice or disclaimer and add the following new claims.

44. Synthetic peptides of the monomer type in linear form or in a form cyclized by means of
inter-cysteine disulphide bridges, having the general formula (I):

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